



## Primary Search



**Description:** Primary Search is designed for elementary aged schoolchildren. The database contains the full text of more than 70 popular elementary school magazines. Full text backfiles go as far back as 1990, while indexing and abstract backfiles go as far back as 1985.

**Examples:** The following are examples of the types of questions that can be answered using the Primary Search database. The terms listed below the questions are examples of searches that can be used to find relevant results.

- ◆ What is a meteor?
  - Meteor
  - Meteor shower
  - Meteorite
- ◆ I would like to read about fossils.
  - Fossils
  - Paleontology

### American Heritage Children's Dictionary

Primary Search also provides access to the American Heritage Children's Dictionary. To access the dictionary click on the Dictionary link in the top blue navigation bar. This will bring up the dictionary search/browse screen. Type a word in the search box and click on Browse. Use the left side of the screen to select the word you are looking up. The definition will appear to the right.

The screenshot shows the Primary Search interface. At the top, there is a blue navigation bar with links: New Search, Subjects, Publications, Dictionary, and More. An arrow points to the 'Dictionary' link. Below the navigation bar, the page title is 'EBSCOhost Database: Primary Search'. The main content area is divided into two sections. On the left, under 'Browsing: The American Heritage Children's Dictionary', there is a search box containing the word 'triumphant' and a 'Browse' button. Below the search box is a list of suggestions: triplet, tripod, triumph, triumphal, **triumphant** (highlighted with a blue arrow), and trivial. On the right, under 'Details for triumphant', there is a 'Main Term' section with the word 'triumphant', a 'Definition' section with the word 'adjective' and two numbered definitions, a 'Word Forms' section with the word 'tri·um·phant' and the word 'adjective', and a 'Copyright' section with the text 'The American Heritage® Children's Dictionary by the Editors of the American Heritage® Dictionaries. Copyright ©1998 by Houghton Mifflin Company.'